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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Donovan	)	Examiner: G. Bugaisky
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Serial Number: 09/692,811	)	Art Unit: 1653
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Filed: October 20, 2000	)	Confirmation No.: 8867
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For: <u>METHODS FOR TREATING ENDOCRINE</u>	)	
<u>DISORDERS</u>	)	Irvine, California

Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**This response amend claims 1, 4-5, 8, 10-11, 13, 17, 19-20 and 22-24 and cancels claims 2-3, 7, 9, 14-16 and 18.**

**Applicant petitions for a one month extension of time to respond to the office action.**

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I. The Office Action

The September 9, 2003 non-final office action (the "Office Action") in this application:

1. rejected claims 1-25 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph;
2. rejected claim 5 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph;
3. rejected claims 1 and 7 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Monti.
4. rejected claims 1-4, 6, 9-10, 13 and 15 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Jacobsson in view of Andrews.

Applicant responds to the Office Action as follows: